

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

SB 300 - HB 1287

March 27, 2011

SUMMARY OF BILL: Broadens the existing Class C misdemeanor of selling cigarettes or smokeless tobacco products except in the original, sealed package to include the sale of any tobacco product singly or in packages of three or less; cigar or cigarette rolling papers; or flavored tobacco items. Prohibits the sale of tobacco products or drug paraphernalia, regardless of the intent, within 500 feet of a school, recreation center, day care center, church, or community center.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- According to data provided by the Administrative Office of the Courts, there have been no convictions for the current misdemeanor offense.
- A small increase in cases in the court system, which will result in additional state and local government expenditures for processing the cases and additional state and local government revenue from fees, taxes and costs collected. These expenditures and revenue are estimated to be not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "James W. White".

James W. White, Executive Director

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